PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In & application of

Docket No: Q90825

Yukako FUKUHIRA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/552,685

Group Art Unit: Unknown

Confirmation No.: Unknown

Examiner: Unknown

Filed: October 11, 2005

For: BIODEGRADABLE FILM HAVING HONEYCOMB STRUCTURE, AND ANTI-

ADHESION MEMBRANE MADE OF SAID FILM

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) form and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith, except for the following: U.S. patents and/or U.S. patent publications; and co-pending non-provisional U.S. applications filed after June 30, 2003.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed: (1) No later than three months from the application's filing date; (2) Before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits (whichever is later); or (3) Before the mailing date of the first Office Action after

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

U.S. Application. No.: 10/552,685

Attorney Docket No. Q90825

filing a request for continued examination (RCE) under §1.114, and therefore, no Statement

under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is required.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for

foreign language documents, Applicant submits the following explanations: The disclosure on

page 3 of the present specification and the submission of English language abstracts for the

foreign language documents constitute a concise statement of relevance of the foreign language

documents.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such

document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not

waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any

listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue

Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any

overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

Registration No. 33,725

Bruce E. Kramer

SUGHRUE MION, PLLC

Telephone: (202) 293-7060

Facsimile: (202) 293-7860

WASHINGTON OFFICE

23373

CUSTOMER NUMBER

Date: January 24, 2006

2

Substitute for Form 1449 A & B/PTO		Complete if Known		
			Application Number	10/552,685
INFO	RMATION	DISCLOSURE P E	Confirmation Number	Unknown
			Filing Date	October 11, 2005
2.	* * *	APPLICANT &	First Named Inventor	Yukako FUKUHIRA
(use as many sheets as necessary JAN 2 4 2006			Art Unit	Unknown
			Examiner Name	Unknown
Sheet	1	of Recognition	Attorney Docket Number	Q90825

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
	Cite	Document Number		Publication Date	
	No.1	Number	Kind Code ² (if known)	MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document
		US			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
	Cite	Foreign Patent Document			Publication Date	Name of Patentee or	m 6
	No.1	Country Code ³	Number ⁴	Kind Code ⁵ (if known)	MM-DD-YYYY	Applicant of Cited Document	Translation ⁶
		JР	2000-197693	Α	07-18-2000	JMS CO LTD, GUNZE LTD	ABSTRACT
		JР	2001-157574	Α	06-12-2001	TERUMO CORP	ABSTRACT
				,			

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS				
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city, and/or country where published.	Translation ⁶	
·				

Examiner Signature	Date Considered	

^{*}EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ²See Kind Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov, MPEP 901.04 or in the comment box of this document. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST. 3). ⁴For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to indicate here if English language Translation is attached.